



**CASPASE INHIBITORS FOR THE TREATMENT OF DISEASES AND  
CONDITIONS CAUSED BY EXPOSURE TO RADIONUCLIDES,  
BIOLOGICAL AGENTS, OR CHEMICAL AGENTS**

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The use of caspase inhibitors for treating cell death induced by radionuclides, biological agents, or chemical agents is disclosed. In particular, treatment of diseases or conditions caused by exposure to radionuclides, biological agents, or chemical agents, spread of radionuclides, biological agents, or chemical agents, explosion of radionuclides, biological agents, or chemical agents by terrorists or accidental exposure to radionuclides, biological agents, or chemical agents from a nuclear power plant, manufacturing or processing plant, research facility, or hospital is disclosed.